



JUDY PARSONS

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Parsons "Female Athlete of Year"

By JACK GOLDBERG

Another chapter in an outstanding success story was realized recently as Judy Parsons was honored as Female Athlete of the Year during Awards Day at Chowan College.

Parsons' name will enter the record books as a career leader in both scoring and rebounding for the Lady Braves four-year basketball program. Her credits include 26 career double-doubles and a 10.8 scoring average. In addition, she shares the all-time single game rebounding record with 20.

Parsons not only walked away with the Women's Basketball Most Valuable Player award at the Spring Athletic Banquet but was also honored with the Coaches and Most Improved awards for the Woman's Tennis Team. Not bad for a young lady from Franklin, Va. who first attended Chowan in 1985, then a junior college, and returned nine years later to pursue her academic and athletic goals. The absence of four years of athletic competition was just another challenge Parsons took on in her classic hard-work style. "Physically I was not where I needed to be, but being older I was much more mentally prepared for the challenges that were ahead of me. I am very happy I was able to finish something I started," Parsons commented.

Parsons takes a great deal of pride in the fact that she will be the first female in her family to graduate with a college degree. "I am now on the verge of completing my education while having the experience of competing on the collegiate level."

Through sheer determination and a tremendous work ethic, Parsons was able to reach both the academic and athletic goals she set for herself. She is on track to graduate in December with a bachelor of arts degree in sports science.

The summer will be very busy for this hardworking student as she completes an internship at the YMCA in Smithfield, Va. The driving force behind Parsons is her never-give-up attitude. She plans to continue her education by working toward a master's degree in exercise science from Old Dominion University.

She is a winner who made it happen.

Chowan Braves 1997 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
September			
6	Methodist College	Away	1:00
13	Greensboro College	Home	1:30
20	Clinch Valley College	Away	1:30
27	Randolph Macon College	Home	1:30
(Family Day)			
October			
4	Frostburg State University	Away	1:00
11	Salisbury State University	Home	1:30
18	Ferrum College	Home	2:00
(Homecoming)			
25	Open		
November			
1	Wesley College	Away	1:00
8	Newport News Apprentice	Home	1:30
15	Guilford College	Away	1:30

Head Coach—*Dan Surface*
Assistant Coaches—*Steve Lee, Todd Conrad, Thomas Gardner, Dan Eason, Brad Church*
Athletic Director—*James G. Garrison*
Colors—*Columbia Blue and White*
Mascot—*Braves*

*Schedule as of June 1997

Many benefits provided by membership

Braves Club '97-'98 membership drive underway; serves vital role

Performing a vital role in the lives of student athletes, members of the Braves Club provide both outstanding motivational encouragement and financial support to the athletic programs of Chowan.

Members include alumni, parents and friends who all share one thing in common: they love sports, especially Chowan College athletics.

Chowan is proud of the young men and women involved in its athletic programs and believes that providing students with the opportunity to gain valuable experience through intercollegiate athletics and competitive sports contributes to a total education. At Chowan, members of the athletic department encourage students to become all that they can be.

Devoting inspiration to both athletes and staff, the Braves Club history reflects both the generosity of its members and the extent of their interest in Chowan's young men and women with such recent accomplishments as:

- ◆ Leasing two 15-passenger vans for athletic team travel
- ◆ Purchasing a commercial washer and dryer for the field house
- ◆ Constructing brick dugouts for the women's softball program
- ◆ Purchasing new netting for baseball and softball batting cages

- ◆ Purchasing new football blocking pads
- ◆ Sponsoring the Athletic Hall of Fame banquet

A membership in the Braves Club will help the organization provide increased opportunities for student-athletes at Chowan College and contributions (less the value of benefits received) are fully tax deductible at the state and the federal level. Make plans to join the Braves Club today!

Membership Categories

- CHIEF** - \$1,000.00 minimum
Six season tickets to all home athletic events
Sports Banquet Invitation
Halftime Hospitality
Reserved Parking
- BRAVE** - \$500.00 minimum
Four season tickets to all home athletic events
Sports Banquet Invitation
Halftime Hospitality
- WARRIOR** - \$250.00 minimum
Four season tickets to all home athletic events
Halftime Hospitality
- SCOUT** - \$100.00 minimum
Two season tickets for all home athletic events
Halftime Hospitality
- HUNTER** - \$50.00 minimum
One season ticket to all home athletic events
Halftime Hospitality

1997-98 Braves Club Application

Date _____

Check One: CHIEF BRAVE WARRIOR SCOUT HUNTER

Member Name(s) _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Name of Business (if Business Membership) _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Category _____ No. of Passes _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Chowan College Braves Club

Mail to:

Braves Club, Dept. of Athletics, Chowan College, PO Box 1848, Murfreesboro, NC 27855

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hopes for future publication. Johnson fondly remembers Professors Eason and Edwards, friends in the dorm and marching as a Bravette. She is married to Don Johnson.

Alice Davis Vann, Murfreesboro, N.C., retired as a high school guidance counselor. She is currently working part-time with MICROCON in library computerization for Chowan's Whitaker Library.

CLASS OF 1975

Kenneth "Ken" L. Anderson, Jacksonville, N.C., was recently promoted to Marine Corps Air Station training and operations supervisor. Anderson received his masters in aeronautical science in 1995 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and will retire from the U.S. Marine Corp in August 1997.

Victoria Stewart Bethel, Richmond, Va., is president of her home-based company, "Dough-Dads Inc." She is married to David Bethel.

CLASS OF 1976

Barbara Leonard Dickinson, Hanover, Va., says, "Life is great!" Dickinson has been happily employed at Nations Bank for 21 years and is also an independent distributor for a marketing firm. Married, with sons 11 and 13, the family enjoys their vacation home in Nelson County, Va. Dickinson would like to hear from members of the "Class of '76."

Michael Epes, Harbinger, N.C., married Ann Goodwin, of Virginia Beach, June 1 1996.

Kathleen "Luray" A. Meehan, Fort Lee, N.J., working in the field of sales and logistics, is also active in prison ministries.

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